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Mr. David Gries
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Dear Dave:

As I mentioned last summer, I wanted to pursue the issue of the role of Congress in covert action. Needless to say, I am not interested in secrets, nor would I expect any. But I would like your counsel in thinking about the role of Congress as we look ahead, beyond the current investigations. When covert action has become "overt," à la Nicaragua, what does that imply for Congress?

My own time line is running out. Needless to say, my publisher, Basic Books, is all over me to get the manuscript in. So if you could spare some time early in the new year, I'd appreciate it. I plan on being in Washington on the 8th. Might that work? Do give me a call when you have a minute.

Do have a very good holidays.

Yours sincerely,



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